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Field Crops

Cotton planting is 90 percent complete, 8 percentage points ahead of both last year and the 5-year average. Alfalfa condition is mostly good to excellent. Harvesting is active in nearly all areas of the State.

Arizona Vegetables, Fruit & Specialty Crops

This week Arizona growers shipped onions, potatoes and various melons.

Range and Pasture

Range and pasture condition varies from very poor to good, depending on location and elevation. Rains and moderate temperatures have helped maintain current forage conditions in northern areas, despite the windy conditions. South eastern area range conditions have been very dry and high winds have accelerated the drying out of rangeland.

Crop Condition

	Very Poor	Poor	Fair	Good	Excellent		
	- Percent -						
Alfalfa	-	2	8	43	48		
Range and Pasture	30	25	20	15	10		
Crop Progress							
	This Week	Last Week	(Last Year	5 – Year Avg.		

	This Week	Last Week	Last Year	5 – Year Avg.			
	- Percent -						
Cotton							
 Planted 	90	77	82	82			

Weather Summary

Temperatures were mostly below normal across the State for the week ending May 15th, ranging from 8 degrees below normal at Paloma to 2 degrees above normal at Prescott. The highest temperature of the week was 101 degrees at Phoenix and Roll. The lowest reading was 22 degrees at Flagstaff and Grand

Canyon. There was precipitation recorded in six of the 22 weather stations. Precipitation ranged from .01 inches in Winslow to 0.18 inches in Canyon De Chelly. All of the weather stations across the State except Kingman have below normal precipitation to date.

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Temperature and Precipitation Data								
May 9, 2011 - May 15, 2011								
	Temperature			Precipitation				
					Past	Jan. 1	Departure	Percent
Station	Avg.	Dep. 1/	High	Low	Week	to Date	From Normal	of Normal
Aguila	66	-5	93	43	0.00	1.66	-2.27	42
Buckeye	71	-6	100	47	0.00	1.62	-0.92	64
Canyon De Chelly	56	-4	81	30	0.18	1.11	-1.77	39
Coolidge	69	-6	100	44	0.00	1.27	-1.92	40
Douglas	66	0	90	37	0.00	0.06	-1.95	3
Flagstaff	46	-4	72	22	0.11	5.51	-3.12	64
Grand Canyon	46	0	73	22	0.11	4.32	-4.30	50
Kingman	63	-3	88	37	0.02	3.95	0.33	109
Marana	72	-2	100	49	0.00	1.05	-2.70	28
Maricopa	73	-4	99	51	0.00	0.77	-2.08	27
Paloma	69	-8	98	47	0.00	1.40	-1.38	50
Parker	71	-6	98	49	0.00	1.27	-0.81	61
Payson	58	-1	83	34	0.00	3.55	-4.12	46
Phoenix	78	0	101	60	0.00	1.03	-1.51	41
Prescott	57	2	82	33	0.09	1.93	-4.07	32
Roll	71	-7	101	48	0.00	0.59	-0.37	61
Safford	68	0	94	43	0.00	0.27	-1.94	12
St. Johns	58	-2	82	35	0.00	0.51	-2.31	18
Tucson	72	-1	97	49	0.00	0.55	-2.19	20
Willcox	64	1	92	37	0.00	0.30	-2.34	11
Winslow	59	-3	83	32	0.01	0.58	-1.35	30
Yuma	76	-3	100	56	0.00	0.65	-0.31	68
1/ Departure of temperature for reporting period from average temperature for that week.								

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